### **GREAT WASTE** OF FREE SEED

The Dealers Send Out Circulars Calling Attention to Abuses by Congress.

The Times-Dispatch Bureau,
Colorado Building,
Fourteenth and G Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C., Dec. 5, 1903.

deniers in seeds, wholesale and retail, who are interested in the suppresof the congressional free seed distribution, have sent out circulars to the entire seed trade calling attention to the secundals which have tainted it in years past. It is not charged that since the Department of Agriculture undortook to make the distribution itself that interior

Department of Agriculture undertook to make the distribution itself that interior seeds have been distributed, but it is alleged that a great deal of seed has been bought by the Department which proved to be infested by bugs and worms, and had to be destroyed.

The circular presents an interesting array of facts concerning the distribution. It states that "in 1900, 14,788,98 packets were sent out. In 1901 it is proposed to send out 45,000,000 packets, an increase of over 300 per cent. In five years. In 1901, \$4.45 per thousand packets were paid, under contract. This season, cheaper seeds and less quantities to the packet under Government management will cost \$5.00, per thousand packets.

"In 1896, \$75,000,000 was appropriated for free seeds. Over \$220,000,00 will be spent for the same purpose at the end of the present fiscal year, 1901. What will the appropriation be in 1908? At the present rate of increase, not less than three quarters of a million dollars!"

A resume of the distribution from 1899 down to the present time is given, in which the circular states that the last distribution covered a larger range of cheap varities of seeds than had ever be-

which the circular states that the last distribution covered a larger range of cheap varities of seeds than had ever before been distributed. The Department not being able to buy as cheaply and to work as economically as the seedman, it was forced to use cheaper classes of seeds in order to stretch the appropriation so as to provide the number of packets to which senators and members of the Mexes had been accusioned in preets to which senators and members of the House had been accustomed in previous years. To the same end, it is said, the packets were lightened. To the same end the circular notes that a newspaper recently published an article stating that many million packets of seeds, representing a valuation of about \$30,000, left over from the spring distribution, had just been burned in the furnaces of the Department of Agriculture because it was discovered they were full of bugs and worms.

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After pointing out that several firms, who are represented on the various committees of the American Seed Trade Association and the Wholesale Seedmen's Lengue and who are charged with the duty of securing a suppression of the free seed distribution, are furnishing seeds to the Department and are thus inclined to view the distribution as a "good thing," the circular adds:

"On the other hand, there is every reason to believe that should the real facts as known by the trade be brought to the attention of the public and the general worthlesness of the system and gross wasteful expenditure of public

general worthlosness of the system and gross wasteful expenditure of public money be properly laid before the public, Congress would soon respond to the re-sulting sentiment and put an end to a practice which is already privately con-demned by so many of its members.

#### New Settlers.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WILMINGTON, VA., Dec. 5.—A number of farms in this county have been recently sold to Northern and 'vestern purchasers through Judge J. O. Shepherd, of the Virginia Land Agency.

Among the latest arrivals are Messrs.

Williams and Smith, who have purchased the Cherry Hill farm on the Rivanna. Parties from West Virginia, Arkansas, and other points are now in the county viewing the different farms for sale and will in all likelihood cast their lot among the people of "Old Flu."

Labor Shortage in Africa. The Transvaal Labor Commission has reported that there is a total shortage of 241,000 laborers in South Africa the deticiency being chiefly felt in agriculturand mining. There is a shortage of 40,000 men in the railway working alone.

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The Cavalier.

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"The Cavalier" proved a pleasant caller this week. He presented on his cover a pleture of Colonel Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal and author of "The Compromises of Life," a new book just issued by Fox. Duffled and Company.

"The Cavaller's" interior illustrations were very clear and artistic. Literary notices, the hunting pages, the poetry and society are delightful features in a sparkling number. The Times-Dispatch makes its best bow to "The Cavalier."

Personal Mention.

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The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Westmoreland Davis, of New York, will be delighted to hear that they are now owners of "Morven Park," near Leesburg, and that they will spend at least a part of the year in Virginia.

Mr. Davis spent his boyhood in Richmond, and is descended from several of the most prominent families in Tidewater Virginia. Through his father, Mr. Davis has influential connections in South Carclina, the late Mr. Davis being a native of that State.

Miss Tallaforro, who has been the guest of Judge and Mrs. B. R. Randolph, at Mrs. Duval's, has left to visit her sister in Denver.

Mrs. Thomas P. Walls, of Philadelphia, who attended the Prischkorn-Mount-castle wodding, will return to her home Monday.

Grace Street, has had as her house guests since Thanksgiving, Miss Anne Talbett, of Waynesbore, Va.; Miss Kate Wren and Miss Williams, of North Care-lina. The house party is in honor of Mrs. Ellerson's niece, Miss Mattle Bas-terville.

Miss Lucile Spratley, of No. 1000 East Clay Street, will spend the winter in Cumberland, Md.

Miss Helen Montague has returned from a delightful visit of a week to Mrs. William McC. Ramsay, of Westover, Mr. Ramsay will return from California next week to spend the Christmas holidays in his beautiful, historic Virginia home.

Miss Emmie Wherry, who has been visiting friends in Danville, Va., has returned home.

Miss Carrie Quisenbery, of No. 1000 East Cluy Street, is visiting her cousin, Mr. B. J. Quisenbery, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Dorothy Lee, Miss Anne Lee and Miss Frances Sparrow are the guests of Mrs, Robert Carter, at "Shirley." Va. Miss Mary S. Parks, after visiting friends in Richmond Norfolk and Washington, has returned to her home in West Virginia.

Miss Virginia Mosby Pleasants is vis-ling Madame de Sibour, in Washington, D. G.

One of the most interesting social ovents of the week will be the marriage on Wednesday, at Lower Brandon, of Miss Guileima Harrison, to Mr. Randolph Cuyler.

A number of invitations have been received here and it is probable that the ceremony will be witnessed by a party or the bride's Richmond friends.

# HORSEMEN

The Steeplechase Season of 1903 One of the Greatest Ever Known.

MARKS ERA IN THE SPORT

Virginia Bred Horses Prominent, One of Them, Land of Clover, is Champion.

The steeplechase season of 1903, which will close with the Bennings meeting now in progress at Washington, has surpassed in interest and importance that of any year in the history of the sport in

The Metropolitan and sick private stables

The Metropolitan and sick private stables now backing this branch of racing, the money invested in preeding and training the special type of horse, the size of the stakes and value of purses and plate, are the intrinsic factors which have contributed to make the picturesque cross-country event so popular and invest it with so much fascination.

A few years back it was merely the element of peril and the partisanship growing out of a personal sentiment for the rider that gave it life. To-day, however, a true ridden steeplechase is looked upon as a science exact as that of a performance on the flat, and now receive support as substantial, relatively speaking, as that accorded other branches of racing.

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Virginia-bred horses have contributed materially to the success of the steeple-chases and hurdle races of 1903, having won a number of the most important events durings this season. Land of Clover, the cleverly named bay gelding, 5, by Flatlands, dam Lucky Clover, by Bersan, ranks as the champion steeple-chase horse of the year. He was bred by J. H. McGavock, of the Fort Chiswell Stud, Max Meadows, where his sire and dam are owned. This stout hearted son of Flatlands shouldered 167 pounds at Morts Park. New York, on October 3rd, and won the great \$10,000 steeple-chase, defeating the best horses in training, among them Self Protection winner of the same event last season, and who was once regarded as a likely candidate for English Grand National honors. The Fort Chiswell Stud also furnished another winner in the grey gelding Gun Honey, 4, by Flatlands, dam the well known gray mare Jaquiline, by imported The Jacobite Gum Honey won the first steeplechase of the season, which was in April last at the Bennings track, Washington, where he defeated Gold Ray and others.

The Ellersile Stud of R. J. Hancock & Son, Charlottesville, furnished a trio of winners in that good horse Churawind bay gelding, 6, by imported Charaxus dam Helmwind, by Eolus; Gould, formerly known as Henry Joy, bay gelding, 9, by Eolus, dam Lady Grace, hy Romney, and Ninos, bay mare, 9, by imported Charaxus, dam Ninonie, by Eolus, During the earlier part of the season Charawind raced under the colors of L. V. Bell, from whom he passed to William Lakeland and then to Edward Corrigan for Chicago, his present owner. The son of imported Charaxus has shown almost constant improvement and Mr. Corrigan looks for him to make a performer of real class. Gould and Ninos have figured as winners riestly in the Western tracks, the former finishing first in a handleap at 1-4 mile, 144 pounds up, in 4:541-4, and the International Steeplechase worth \$1,000 at Certain and other places.

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Imperialist and Arius, both bred in the Valment Stud of Pitts and Dorrier, Scottsville, were both good winners, the former being prominent as a performer at the Washington meeting now in progress, Imperialist, bay gelding, 6, by Norwood dam Geminma, by Heimday, won a steeplechase at two miles, 186 pounds up in 4:57 1-4 at Pimilco in April, and has kept up a winning clip right through the season. He has met and beaten such as Nepo set, Decamera, Lida Woodlands and others. Arius, bay gelding, 6, by Norwood, dam Avril, by Brennan, won at Washington, April 2, a handleap sreeplechase at 2 1-2 miles, 150 pounds up; time 5:50. Seling steeplechase at Pimilco. April 25th, two miles, 151 pounds up; time 4:12. The fields he defeated included Gold Ray, Strike-alight, Ivan, Tankord, Decameron, Walter Cleary, Lida Woodands, Bequineath, Ill Used and Powhatan III.

Powhatan III.

Eophone, brown gelding, 6, by imported Rigoletto, dam Vestalia, by Tom Ochiltree, won the Kensington Steeplechase Handleap, value to winner \$1990, June 9th, at Gravesend, and three weeks later won over the short course with 183 pounds up, defeated Walter Cleary and others. These races were run under the colors of Joseph E. Widner, of Philadelphia, but later the gelding pussed to Mossrs A. B. and J. Temple Gwathney, of New York, and is now wintering in Canada. Eophone was bred by Robert Neville, of Welburne, who owned the dam, Vostalia, and the grand dam, Vesta, the later having produced White Garters, a high-class steeplechase mare that was prominent several years ago. Imported Rigoletto, the sire of Eophone, also got White Garters.

Robert Bradley's Greenway Farm, Wilcox Wharf, is credited with two winners in Ed. Adach, black gelding, 5, and Paulaker, bay horse, 5, both of whom are Alhoa, sire of the American Derby winner Robert Waddell, to whom Ed. Adack is a full brother, being out of Eminence, by imported Kyrle Daly, Paulaker's dam is Pink H., by Prosper son of imported Leamington, Both of these horses were raced at Chicago. Ed. Adack won on September 4 over 3 the short course with 150 pounds up, in 3:28 2-5, while Paulaker attachea first money in several events and defeated some horses of pretty fair class.

The Orange Horsemen's Association, of Orange, Va., met recently and elected

THE INCREASED DEMAND each succeeding year for SUIT-ABLE ARTICLES APPROPRIATE FOR XMAS GIFTS and the consequent rush incident to the last days of the holidays make it necessary to impress upon our patrons the ADVISA-BILITY OF MAKING EARLY SE-LECTIONS.

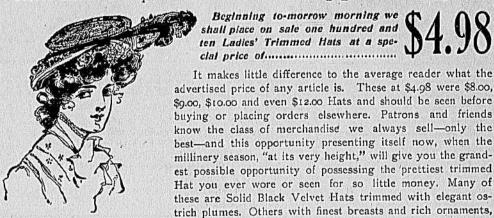
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officers for the ensuing year. The Horse Shows of this association, held annually at Orange, are among the best known and most popular affairs in that section, and have been uniformly successful. The list of officers follows:

President, William Dupont; vice-presidents, Thomas Atkinson, W. G. Crenshaw, Jr. W. W. Sanford; secretary and treasurer. Dr. L. S. Ricketts; Board of Directors, Dr. H. S. Willis, J. T. Lightfoot, William C. Williams, H. O. Lyne, T. O. Gillum, E. J. Ellett, John W. McComb, Dr. L. S. Ricketts.

McComb, Dr. L. S. Ricketts.

The yearling trotting filly Sally Lunn, a bay, by Wiggins, dam Beilo de Baron, by Alsatian, fell to a bid of \$1,050 made by A. A. Carr, of Butte, Montana, at the Fasig-Tipton Company's sale recently in New York. She was consigned by Mrs. Resallyn Landon, wife of Capt. R. F. Landon, Cobb's Creek, Va. Trained and driven by George Hossack, this filly trotted a mile in 2:34 1-2 over the half mile track near Cobb's Creek, this fall. She was bred by L. B. M. Bedferd, Paris, Ky., from whom she was purchased in February last and brought to Virginia by Mrs. Landon.

Mf. H. M. Sackett, president of the

Mr. H. M. Sackett, president of the Lynchburg Horse Show Association, Lynchburg, Va., has purchased the thoroughbred stallion, The Soman, by Sir thoroughbred stallon, The Soman, by Sir Dixon, dain Erminitude, by Pat Malloy, son of Lexington, second cam Asteria, by Planet, third dam Austria, by Import-ed Australian. The Soman will be placed in the stud, where his stout breeding fits him to sire not only race horses, but high class steeplechases, hunters and jumers.

Mr. W. O. Warthen, prominent in rail-road circles as district passenger agent of the C. & O. R. R. and also well known as secretary of the Richmond Horse Show Association, has returned from a trip West, which included Salt Lake City, Denyer and other points of note. Mr. Warthen returns to his post of duty much improved in health.

On Monday last Ellerslie bred horses figured as winners both at Washington and New Orleans. At the former Gould captured a hurdle race at a mile and three-quarters; time, 3:262-5; while Ethics won at a mile and a sixteenth, doing the distance in 1:49.

William Du Pont, the new president of the Orange Horse Show Association, owns the historic Montpeller estate, near Orange, where he breeds fine horses, Shelland ponies and other fancy live

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THE TALK OF THE CITY.

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gal. \$2.50
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